## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hiroaki Kashima, (et al.)

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Title: Statistical language model generating device, speech recognizing device, statistical language model

generating method, speech recognizing

method, and program

Before the Examiner: Susan Iris

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: Group Art Unit: 2626

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## **ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to Examiner's Restriction on the above-identified application as follows. Consideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

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